

Former Irma Girl Marries In B.C.

KELOWNA, B.C. — Creating wide interest here and on the prairies was the charming early spring ceremony held on Thursday afternoon, March 9, at which Mae Alecia Ellen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lionel L. Gultner of Irma, Alberta, became the bride of Harold Francis, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. William Shugg of Kelowna.

Ven. Archdeacon D. S. Catchpole officiated at the ceremony held in St. Michael and All Angels Anglican Church.

Given in marriage by Mr. Norman De Hart, the bride chose a hoop-skirted ivory satin bridal gown. The full skirt was enhanced with lace panels matching the yoke. The fitted bodice of her gown featured a small collar offset by a single strand of pearls. A cloud of circular veiling bordered the exquisite lace cascaded down an orange blossom coronet to her waist. While satin streamers cascaded from the cluster of deep red roses encircling the white prayer book carried by the bride.

Miss Hilda Foster of Vancouver was sole attendant for the bride and chose a powder blue silk taffeta frock for the occasion. The fitted bodice was marked by a sweetheart neckline and the full skirt featured bill drapery. Accenting her lovely frock were matching lace mitts and a choker of brilliant. Miss Foster carried a colonial bouquet of daffodils and freesias.

Mr. Dave Chapman Jr. was best man and ushers included Mr. E. Ross Outman and Mr. Ken Harding. During the signing of the register, Mrs. Ken Harding sang "O Perfect Love."

Following their short honeymoon to Southern points in the province, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Shugg will take up residence at 1290 Robson St. Vancouver.

Jarrow News

Joe Orzechski visited friends and relatives at Batts and Irma for a few days last week before going back to Edson.

With the return of the crowd, spring must really be here. Another sure sign is the gathering of the wood-sawers and the buzz of the saw, ripping through those poles.

We are glad to report that Mrs. W. Jamieson is back from the city where she had gone for treatment and feeling much better than she has for a long time.

The big event of the season was the Silver Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Campbell which took place at the Batts school last Friday evening. Friends from far and near, in spite of the bad roads, gathered for the occasion to extend their best wishes to the happy couple of twenty-five years. The early part of the evening was spent playing whist. First prizes were won by Mrs. G. Meakins and Mr. J. B. Campbell, while the consolation prizes went to Mrs. G. Lovig and G. Mathew. A bounteous lunch was served and enjoyed by all. Following the lunch Mr. V. Lindberg, in his own jovial way, presented the guests of honor with a service of silverware for which they expressed their heartfelt thanks. Tables, chairs and so on were then cleared away and dancing was indulged in and rounded out a very enjoyable evening.

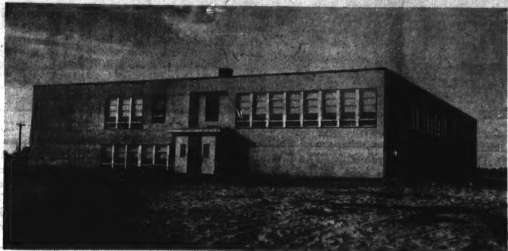
Mr. and Mrs. E. Wade and family of Viking and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Holt and Mack of Edmonton were among those from a distance attending the Silver Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Campbell. The Folts stayed over the week-end and were guests at the G. Bridgeman home.

Mrs. W. Orzechski, Mike and Margaret motored to Camrose on Sunday and visited with relatives and friends there.

W. Lindberg is sporting a new car—a 1947 Dodge.

Mrs. Gordon Whidden is home again and doing nicely after having undergone an operation at the Viking hospital.

New Irma School Officially Opened April 3; Large Crowd Turns Out to Witness Ceremony



Fine Program Highlighted Evening's Entertainment

Monday, April 3, 1950, will go down in the history of our village as one of the very special occasions we all like to recall. The ceremonies attending the official opening of the New Irma and District School will long be remembered.

Early in the evening a very large crowd had gathered and it was gratifying indeed to see how interested all and sundry were in the splendid educational facilities now open to the pupils of our community.

Mr. Fred Fall was chairman for the evening and in his opening remarks he recalled the early school history of Irma and gave a brief account of the various buildings previously used as schools.

The invocation was given by the Revd. H. W. Inglis who expressed the earnest hope that "The truth which makes man free" should always be taught in the Irma school.

Doreen Simmermon then sang "Bless This House." This was followed by greetings from C. P. Jones, mayor of Irma. Mr. Jones also spoke on the influence the fine new gym was certain to have in an athletic community such as ours.

As representative of the Irma local school board, Mr. C. Smallwood then told of how the local board had greatly helped in bringing pressure to bear on the powers that be to build the new school.

Elvina Sonoff was next on the program with a fine piano solo and encore. This was followed by a duet, "Whispering Hope," by Shirley Pyle and Reta Fenton.

The chairman then introduced to the audience several members of the divisional school board and other officials.

Mr. I. S. Reeds, principal of the Irma school, was the next speaker. Mr. Reeds reminded us that only ten months elapsed between the dream and the finished reality of the new Irma school. Few building projects are executed with such promptness and despatch. He felt that such a building would continue to insure Irma pupils against all effects of the teacher shortage and would always be a drawing card for the best type of teacher. Thus our young folk would be instilled with the three important things which build character, namely: a love of the beautiful, a love of truth and the willingness to shoulder responsibility.

Jack Simmons, president of the Students' Union, was then called on and voiced their sincere appreciation of the student body for the splendid new building that now is theirs.

A most important item not on the printed program followed. Mrs. Martin Enger was called on to speak. Mrs. Enger remarked that the opening of the new school presented a golden opportunity to mark the silver anniversary of Mr. I. S. Reeds as school principal in Irma. Mrs. Reeds had come to Irma 25 years previously and through cloud and sunshine had remained to guide and teach the Irma young folk.

Mrs. Enger was herself a member of the class of 1925 and she proceeded to read messages from other ex-pupils from various parts of Canada. Those present were reminded of the well-known fact that Mr. Reeds' pupils always show a very high percentage of pass marks. The highest percentage for the Wainwright division, and also a percentage that would rank high

Mrs. Wm. Masson Passes Away

Mrs. Helen Masson, widow of the late William Masson of Mannville, Alta., passed away at Irma at her residence on March 22. Mrs. Masson was born in upper Canada at Curroos, Ont. on May 23, 1862. She came to Alberta from Scotland in 1906 with her family, settling in the Olds district and finally to Mannville where her husband predeceased her on Nov. 5, 1935. Since that time she has lived in Irma, Alta.

The funeral was held from the home of her son, William Masson, on Monday, March 27, 1950. Pastor Geo. E. Warnock of the Christian and Missionary Alliance church, officiating. Pall bearers were Messrs. Albert Knudson, Harry Halvorsen, R. L. Rohrer, Clifford Smallwood, Albert Johnson and Arthur Knudson.

The remains were interred at Mannville cemetery where her husband and son George are buried. Opa and Robert were killed in action in the First World War at Arleux Wood.

She leaves to mourn her loss, two sons, William of Irma, James of Calgary, and two daughters, Jessie of Irma and Mrs. L. Mark of Victoria, all of whom were in attendance at the funeral. She also has two sisters in England, Mrs. Jessie Dickson of Cromer, Norfolk, and Mrs. Elizabeth Smedley of Welling, Kent.

Floral tributes were as follows: Family wreath: Wreath from Alberta Legislative Assembly; Younger family: P. T. Tuong and Mr. and Mrs. J. Pond and family; Mr. and Mrs. R. McFarland and family; Walter, Mazel, June and Malcolm; Frank and Alma Ford.

Memorials to the Irma United Church: Mrs. Tate and Alice; Mr. and Mrs. J. Fenton; Mr. and Mrs. F. Wvand; Mrs. Helena McKay and Boys.

Memorial gift from Mrs. Alle Patterson, Sonny and Lois.

To the Christian and Missionary Alliance Tabernacle Building fund: Mrs. R. D. Allen.

Alberta Protestant Home: Mrs. G. Watkinson; Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson; Mr. John Watson; Mrs. A. Enger and family; Mr. and Mrs. Martin Knudson; Mr. and Mrs. H. Halvorsen; Mr. and Mrs. J. Halvorsen; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Rohrer; Mrs. Ina Knudson; Mr. and Mrs. J. Jackson; Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Knudson; Mr. and Mrs. L. Hollinger; Mr. and Mrs. N. Fluevog; Mr. and Mrs. M. Reitan; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Fenton; Mr. J. A. Hedley.

Funeral was in charge of the McLeod Funeral Parlor, Wainwright.

Ladies Aid Easter Tea

Don't forget to go to Hedley's Hall for your afternoon coffee on Saturday, April 8, because the Irma Ladies Aid are holding their Easter Tea.

The Travelling Basket will be handed in at this time.

Irma Curling Club Holds Social Evening On March 29

The Irma Curling Club held its annual social evening on Wednesday, March 29 at Hedley's Hall. This event had a record attendance and a very jolly time was had by all.

The early part of the evening was spent at Court Whist. The ladies first prize was won by Mr. Pryce Jones who was substituting for a lady. The gentlemen's first prize went to Mr. Gar Coulman. This was a special evening for Mr. Coulman because a radio program was in progress at the time and the music of Coulman's orchestra was being broadcast by transcription and was heard by all those present in the hall.

After the Ladies Curling Club had served a tasty lunch, prize giving and speech-making was the order of the day. The prizes were donated and awarded as follows:

Mixed-Bonspiel Cistees Event
1st—Bus tickets from the Sunburst Motor Co., won by Ross McFarland.
2nd—Fire Tubes donated by J. Ostad, won by H. L. Black.
3rd—Pyrex Fryng Pans and Pie Plates donated by Curling Club and won by S. Brown's rink.
4th—Berry sets, donated by Curling Club and won by H. Riley's rink.

Merchants Event
1st—Anti-freeze, donated by R. Hansen and won by the C. Milne rink.

2nd—Blankets donated by Curling Club and won by R. McFarland rink.

3rd—Casseroles donated by the Curling Club and won by the Edgar Jones rink.

4th—Flashlights donated by the Irma Sales and Service and won by the R. Kirkman rink.

Consolation
1st—H. J. Heinz Co. carton of Sunny Breeze ketchup, donated by the J. McKay rink.

2nd—Basket of Blue Ribbon groceries from Blue Ribbon Co., won by the J. McKay rink.

3rd—Chocolates and cigarettes from J. Pond, won by D. McKay's rink.

4th—Gloves from Steve Hlynka, won by the N. McMillan rink.

Northern Nuggets

Messrs. Adam Scott and Joe Averill have arrived back after spending the winter in the lumber camp.

Ronald Currie and Fred Kuwika are home after attending the fall and winter session of the Vermilion School of Agriculture.

A goodly number of our district residents attended the "Little Royal" held at Vermilion last week.

We are very glad to report that Mrs. John Baras is home from hospital and feeling somewhat better.

Glen-Coa Gleanings

Mrs. Smallwood was an Edmonton visitor recently.

Mr. O. Likness spent several days of this week in Camrose. The students who are looking forward to Easter holidays at home are Evelyn Erickson of Camrose, and Curtis Satre and Lawrence Likness of Saskatoon. There is Miss Eunice Satre who is supervising at Porter Lake and Miss Lily Nelson who is an employee of the bank at Viking whom we shall be glad to have with us for all or part of the holiday time.

Last Saturday, April 1, Mrs. N. Fluevog accompanied by Mrs. P. Nelson and Mrs. O. Likness motored to Viking to take part in a WM-FW conference.

We are glad to see the roads are drying up in spots and hope there will be good roads by Easter.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to all our friends for the lovely trilliant lamp they gave us and also a thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ramsay for the beautiful tray and Grace thanks her teacher Mrs. Dick McRoberts to all her school friends for the gifts they gave her.

Haakon, Vera and family.

At the Churches

UNITED CHURCH
Good Friday
Service in Irma—11 a.m.
Easter Sunday, April 9
Strawberry Plains—11 a.m.
Albert—2 p.m.
Irma Sunday School—11 a.m.
Worship Service and Baptismal service—7:30 p.m.
Lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Matt. 28:20.—Rev. H. W. Inglis, minister

ALLIANCE TABERNACLE

Sunday, April 9
10:45—Sunday School and Bible class
11:45—Worship Service—an Easter address in keeping with the day. Communion service will follow the worship service.

Wednesday
8 p.m.—Bible Study and prayer service

We invite you to attend this Easter service. Come and bring a friend.
Geo. E. Warnock.
"He is not here, but is risen. Lu. 24:6. "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable. But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept." 1 Cor. 15:19, 20.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

Celebration of Holy Communion will be held in St. Mary's Church on Easter Day, April 9 at 2:30 p.m. Kindly bring in the Missionary boxes to this service.

NOTICE

A mass meeting of farmers of Irma and surrounding districts will be held in Hedley's Hall on Wednesday, April 12 at 2 p.m. H. G. Young, vice president of the FUA will be the speaker. Everybody welcome.

NOTICE

The proposed meeting of the Sunny Brae School Ratepayers will be held in the new school on Tuesday, April 11 at 8 p.m. sharp. This meeting is for the purpose of discussing the disposal of the Sunny Brae school. All ratepayers please attend.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to our many friends who helped to make our Silver Wedding Anniversary such a memorable event.
—Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Campbell

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Every Thursday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Appointments to be made at IRMA DRUGS

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF FLAGSTAFF No. 62

Notice

Under the authority of the Forest and Prairie Fire Prevention Act, 1941, a burning permit must be obtained at the Municipal Office before any brush or stubble is allowed to be burned between the 1st day of April and the 1st day of December. Persons burning without a permit are liable to a fine of not less than \$25.00 and not more than \$100.00.

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LOGGERS and LUMBERMEN!

As from April 1st your employees are insured under provisions of the Unemployment Insurance Act. This means that contributions must be paid for them beginning on that date.

If you employ anyone in lumbering and logging you should:-

1. Register with your National Employment Office;
2. Obtain insurance books for your employees;
3. Get instructions about making contributions and about rates.

Your National Employment Office is ready to assist you with all necessary information.

All sawmills and planing mills come under the Act on April 1st regardless of how many weeks they operate.

Farmers and any other persons whose main occupation is non-insurable need not be insured if they work in lumbering and logging for 60 days or less a year and apply for exemption.

Call at the nearest National Employment Office for full information.

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Wainwright citizens have every right to whoop it up for the pucksters shown above, winners of the Craig Cup and Eastern Alberta League championship. The Commandos clashed with Vermilion Tigers in a best of five playoff for the title and wound the business up in four games, taking the deciding fixture by the impressive score of 10-2. Well supported by their home town through out the season, the Commandos certainly didn't let their followers down in the playoff series.

Reading from left to right, back row: Fred Sheffield (manager); Jimmy Stewart (captain); Carl Soneff, Irma; Bud Purkiss; Brian Targett, Irma; Kay Strate; Jack King; Ben Meyers; J. D. Stewart of Vermilion who made the presentation of the Craig Cup. Front row from left: J. Davidson (president Wainwright and District Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture); Walt Dutchak; Roy Forrest; Bill Inkin, Jimmy Guiltner, Albert Glasgow, all of Irma and Bill Sheffield.

Viking Co-op Store Destroyed By Fire
Upstairs Residents Escape With No Time To Spare

In a spectacular blaze that could be seen for miles around the farmer's co-operative store was burned to the ground early Saturday at about 2:40 Laurie Rasmussen who was at the CNR station handling a train order heard an explosion and suddenly the front of the Co-op Store was a fire and flames shooting high in the air. Laurie informed the telephone office to sound the siren and soon the fire department was on the job playing two streams of water on the blaze that had already doomed the building. The fire had gained such a headway that it was impossible to save the store and any of the contents. The cause of the explosion is unknown.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Kimball and young son Doug, and Mrs. Floyd Kimball who occupied the second storey escaped with only a few clothes. Mr. Floyd Kimball was out of town at the time of the blaze. A pet dog perished in the fire.

Burning embers fell on the roof of the Fred Reishus residence two blocks west, and the W. Ha're residence, just west of the store. Efforts of the fire department to save the buildings next door were successful, although the records were moved out of the office by fire.

Rudy's Cafe served hot coffee to the members of the fire department in the early morning hours after the fire was under control.

The estimated loss to the store and tenants is \$38,000.00. The store was a two storey frame building built in 1909 by the late W. L. Campbell. The second storey was used for living quarters.

About twenty-two years ago Mr. Campbell sold the business to Mr. R. J. Darrah who conducted the general store until about two years ago when he sold it to the Viking District Farmers Co-operative Association. The co-operative association had recently made several alterations to the interior of the building and had held their annual meeting on March 30. We understand that Mr. S. Hansen who did the carpenter work lost most of his tools in the fire.

Employed at the Co-op were Mr. Floyd Kimball, manager, Mr. Morris Kimball, Mrs. Ella Briggs, Miss Denn Starob, Floyd Baier and Miss Margaret McArthur.

We hear that the executive is making plans to open up temporary quarters some where in town.

A meeting of the shareholders is scheduled for Wednesday, April 19, to decide whether to rebuild or not.

The fire department reports that it was the toughest job that they have been called upon to handle yet. A very remarkable performance was turned in by the recently formed Junior Brigade and much credit should be given those young fellows who helped in any way when asked to do so.

Mink are the most numerous and valuable of farm-raised fur-bearing animals in Canada.

Viking Items

The Calgary Elks' Spiel held March 30, 31 and April 1 went off in grand fashion, according to Alvin Golka and Lumir Dobry who participated. L. Dobry, skip, Joe Kallal, Edmonton, third, Bud Hannan, Edmonton, second, Alvin Golka, lead, were one of the 70 rinks entered in the spiel and they came home with a good share of the prizes—namely, a handsome trophy with a built-in electric clock, presented by the Commodore Cafe, which was emblematic of one of the primary events, and along with this an electric mantle radio.

Alvin and Lumir voice their good approval of the spiel and it is expected to be bigger and better next year.

Mrs. Golka and Mrs. Dobry accompanied their husbands.

The Junior Choir of the Viking United Church paid a visit to the new church at Bruce on Sunday, afternoon. They sang two anthems, "For God So Loved the World," and "The King of Love my Shepherd is."

A women's auxiliary to the Viking Municipal Hospital was formed at a meeting when about twenty-five ladies were present. Mrs. J. L. Slavik was elected president; Mrs. A. E. Caldwell, vice-president; Mrs. W. Comisarow, secretary; Mrs. W. Pobuda, treasurer. The executive will meet on the fourth Thursday afternoon of each month and the organization as a whole will meet every three months in the United church hall. All ladies in the district are eligible and urged to join. Fees are \$1.00 annually. Each women's organization in the surrounding district is requested to send a representative to serve on the executive.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Kimball and Doug and Mrs. Floyd Kimball visited at the home of their parents in Edgerton over the weekend. Mr. Floyd Kimball made a business visit to Edmonton.

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Wants Change of Policy Re Rural Electrification

A change of policy in the matter of rural electrification in Alberta is being sought by the Farmers' Union of Alberta. Claiming that the present plans under which the power companies in Alberta are proceeding with rural electrification are entirely unsatisfactory and very unfair to the farmers, the executive of the FUA is at present circulating their locals with a brief pointing out the weaknesses of the present set-up, and contrasting the Alberta system with the Manitoba method. They are requesting that the locals study the matter and make the necessary steps to evolve concerted action on the matter with provincial authorities.

The brief points out that in Alberta farmers pay for the rural lines, a situation that does not exist in towns and cities. The cost of these lines amounts to from \$900 to \$1200 per farmer and the FUA points out that this high cost prevents full coverage, as many farmers along the proposed lines cannot afford it. Newly established people, particularly war veterans, and younger farmers are hardest hit, and consequently are being denied one of the greatest benefits of rural life.

The Farmers' Union of Alberta together with the AFA and the Alberta Association of Municipal Districts has joined hands in asking for the development of electric power as a public utility along the lines of the Manitoba system.

Among the changes proposed are the following:

1. Development of electrical power as a public utility under a provincial power commission.
2. That rural lines be built into the farmers' yards including transformer, without charge.
3. That farmers who have already paid for lines be reimbursed by the power commission.
4. That a comprehensive plan be set up for the electrification of Alberta, making full use of water-power, gas and coal in the production of electric energy.
5. That profits now going to power companies be utilized to extend rural lines.

Kinsella and District News Items

The Kinsella Branch of the Canadian Legion is sponsoring a show and dance to be held in the Memorial Hall on Easter Monday, April 10.

Mrs. Frank Jewitt is a patient in the Viking hospital. We are glad to hear she is recovering from an appendix operation.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Loney and children of Alix are visiting Mrs. Loney's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Mark.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Mark who have spent the winter visiting relatives at the west coast and the states, have returned home to their farm north of town.

A number of Kinsella people attended the silver wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. J. Campbell held in the Batts school Friday evening, March 31.

There will be special music at the Easter Church service Sunday, April 9, 11:30 a.m.

Recent visitors to Edmonton were Mr. and Mrs. G. Paterson and Mrs. J. F. Murray.

Sign of the times: The U.S. Army has 330 generals, only 327 horses.

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In The Legislature

By W. Masson

The County Act took much of the time of the Session during the past week. Probably three or four provisions of the Act should be mentioned for clarification purposes:

This Bill provides:

1. That only four counties should be set up in the Province and that on an experimental basis;
2. It provides that after four years the people in the district must be given the opportunity to vote as to whether they should continue with the county or revert to the present system.
3. The county is to be set up only after application has been made by either the School Board or the Municipal Council, or both;
4. Every committee to be set up under the Council must be less than the majority of the Council, and, therefore, no Committee could rule the Council.

Some School Boards and Municipal Councils have expressed their willingness to have counties set up. As yet, however, no locations have been determined.

The five million dollar fund has been set up from which money will be loaned to municipalities at the low rate of 2 per cent to assist them in financing self-liquidating municipal projects.

An increase in the supplementary old age pension approved will bring the pension up to a maximum of Fifty Dollars a month.

The House was given the information this week that the gasoline

tax in effect in other provinces, with one exception, is from one to five cents a gallon higher than in Alberta. Several provinces also have a sales tax that applies on the purchase price of cars. This week Nova Scotia added a 4 per cent sales tax on all goods.

A change in the Edmonton City Charter focuses its attention on the Detweiler project often referred to as Edmonton's "Miracle Mile." The sponsors have agreed to spend 28 million dollars in providing the City with auditorium, business and parking facilities. This Amendment has yet to be considered by the committee of the Whole House.

The Government's program to assist municipalities to make hospitalization available at rates that people can afford to pay should prove a real benefit to residents of the Province. 52 per cent of all public ward hospitalization will be paid by the Province. The plan will encourage municipalities to extend hospitalization service to non-ratepayers who pay indirectly through taxes. Hon. Dr. Cross said that the plan can be financed by a mill rate of 2.6 in Edmonton, 2.2 in Calgary, 2.6 in Lethbridge, 1.5 in Medicine Hat. For these slight increases in mill rate all citizens in these centres will be assured of complete public ward hospitalization at a cost of \$1.00 per day.

The House should adjourn next week.

Three Simple Rules

Improve your grain crops by following three simple rules, advises J. E. Birdsall, Supervisor of Crop Improvement for the Alberta Department of Agriculture. Sow clean, seed, test for germination, and treat with a mercury dust. These precautions are known to every farmer, but that they are not being put into practice is evident from results of a seed drill survey conducted in the spring of 1949.

Officials of the Alberta Department of Agriculture visited 1,939 farmers in the field last spring and collected from each seed drill a sample of grain being sown. Following test, 992 of the 1,939 samples were found to be of rejected grade. Most of them were unfit for seed because of the number of weed seeds they contained. In others, germination was so low that production of a satisfactory crop was impossible. Seed with germination as low as 6 per cent was being put into the ground in

some cases.

In 16 municipalities a record was obtained of the seed treatment used on 926 samples. Of these, 413 were treated with formalin, 412 with mercury dust and 101 were not treated. In one MD 22 samples of wheat treated with formalin had an average germination of 70.9 per cent. From the same district, germination of 14 samples of wheat treated with mercury dust averaged 91 per cent.

For treatment of seed grain use a mercury dust, advises Mr. Birdsall. It does not injure the germination of the seed and in addition to its value in controlling mold, the mercury dust protects the seed from certain soil-borne organisms.

Most of the area of Canada drains into Hudson Bay and the Arctic Ocean.

After the Great Lakes the largest Lake in the Dominion is Great Bear in the North West Territories.

Why Not Use All The Examples?

There is quite a campaign on now to upset the status of electrification in Alberta, from privately owned to publicly owned facilities. The Plebiscite two years ago was close, but now the privately owned corporations should be given the opportunity to demonstrate what they will and can do to justify their future existence. Chester Sayers was quite right when during the debate in the legislature he stated that many farms were too isolated to be served by either a privately owned or publicly owned utility. Most of the arguments used on behalf of public ownership in the present campaign are based on Manitoba's publicly owned utility. Why not use some material from Saskatchewan? Manitoba has had a surplus of power since 1910, till now. Her farm population is highly integrated, compared with either Saskatchewan or Alberta, thus reducing the transmission costs to a comparative minimum. Saskatchewan is having a tough time. Her water power resources are not near enough to her centres of population, and her fuel costs have been high. Now she is preparing to employ natural gas for fuel and possibly the low grade fuel oils from the Lloydminster fields. Publicly owned services are not necessarily free.

—Camrose Canadian, Mar. 22, 1950

Does A Farm Garden Pay?

(Experimental Farm News)
A good farm garden is a prime essential. The quick-freeze method of processing home grown vegetables, now available to the farmer with the establishment of cold storage locker plants in many rural areas, has increased the potential value of the farm garden. A good garden will yield a greater return per acre than any other farm crop. Records from Illustration Station Farms in Manitoba, says B. J. Gorbey, of the Dominion Experimental Farm, Brandon, indicate that the value of farm vegetables, consumed at home and sold when a surplus exists, varies from \$100 to \$150 per farm. Their value, at wholesale market prices, is shown to be two to three per cent of the total net farm income. These figures may seem low, but the true value of home grown vegetables cannot be estimated in dollars and cents. When there is no farm garden, fresh vegetables are too frequently absent from the family diet. Should it become necessary to purchase the quantities of fresh vegetables that a good garden would supply, the cost at retail prices would readily exceed six to nine per cent of the net farm income. Furthermore, fresh vegetables direct from the garden are superior in quality to those obtainable on the market.

World of Wheat

Since the beginnings of agriculture in the West, crops have had to face severe hazards. The very first wheat crop put in by the Selkirk Settlers in 1814 was devoured by the now Extinct Passenger Pigeons. Several crops were destroyed by the Indians. The crop of 1817 was destroyed by a cloud of grasshoppers which in the words of the old records—"darkened the sky and fell like heavy snow on the colony. Garden Crops and every green herb perished."

Since those days other hazards have damaged the crops: drought, rust, hail, frost, cutworms, wireworms, sawflies and almost every year some damage has been suffered from grasshoppers. This present year will see a plague of grasshoppers as heavy as anything ever noted in the history of the West. Fortunately new methods of control are available and which should hold the plague in check providing farmers will take advantage of this up-to-date method. A new chemical, Aldrin—more effective than Chlordane which was used last year—will arrive in April and will be available for farmers by May 1. Every farmer, then, should find out if he is in the grasshopper area, and if he is then he should make arrangements for obtaining some of this new poison with complete directions for its use.



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SEEDTIME and HARVEST

By Dr. F. I. Gossney, Director of the Department of Agriculture, Government of Canada.

Modern Weed Control With 2,4-D

After four years of intensive testing, 2,4-D is now universally recognized as an effective and powerful weapon for the control of weeds in cereal and flax crops. It is expected that over 10 million acres in Western Canada will be treated with 2,4-D in 1960. Some important factors affecting the safe, economical and successful control of weeds with 2,4-D are mentioned briefly here.

Effect on Weeds. Weeds vary greatly in their reaction to 2,4-D. Some weeds are very susceptible, while others are very tolerant of this chemical. You want to kill, and then follow control recommendations carefully. It cannot be stressed too strongly that the best results with 2,4-D are obtained when weeds, particularly annual weeds, are in the seedling stage, and when conditions are favourable for rapid, vigorous weed growth. Most weeds become more resistant to 2,4-D as they approach maturity. Furthermore, weeds are much harder to kill during dry, hot weather when soil moisture is low. The essence of success in weed control with 2,4-D rests in the early treatment of weed growth.

Effect on Crops. Cereal crops should not be treated with 2,4-D until the plants have reached the 3-leaf stage, or a height of about 3 inches. They can then be treated with safety until they have reached the early shot-blade stage. On no account should cereal crops be treated during the flowering and early-heading stages. Flax, on the other hand, may be safely treated as soon as weed growth warrants, provided the plants have already formed 4 or 5 leaves. Flax should not be treated after the plants have started to bud since there will be grave risk of injuring the crop.

Prepare Now. Now is the time to plan your 1960 chemical weed control program. Your local Line Elevator Agent can supply you with the latest and best available information on the use of 2,4-D.

The experts estimate Canada's coastline at 14,820 miles.

Fresh water in Canada covers 228,307 square miles of the country's 3,890,410 square-mile area.

Canadian railroads, on their coast-to-coast operations, span five time zones.

The average Protestant church member contribute \$23.71 annually to his church.

The brown trout was introduced to Canada during the last century. It came from Europe.

Canada's railroads run farther east and farther west than any other railroad in North America.

Alberta oil has changed his future

The boy doesn't know it yet. Many a grown-up doesn't realize it—but the new oil fields of Alberta brighten Canada's future.

Western oil is saving 100 million scarce U.S. dollars this year, dollars we don't have to pay out for oil imports. This means money to buy other imports we need—things that cannot be grown or made in Canada. Next year Alberta oil should save 145 million U.S. dollars!

Then, too, the search for oil is making a big new market in Alberta for things the rest of Canada has to sell. The oil industry is spending \$3 millions a week in the west. Across the nation this money is fostering new industries, expanding plants, creating jobs, paying wages, building homes.

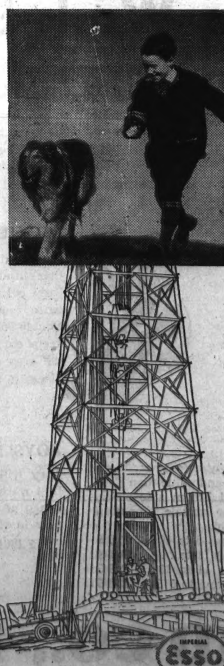
And in the prairies petroleum product prices are lower than they would have been if oil had not been found. Prairie consumers saved more than \$30 millions last year. Anything that helps prairie prosperity helps all Canada.

Oil is important to us all. More oil means a higher standard of living. The search for oil is unending, a costly business, often disappointing. But the job is pressing forward. And new-found oil is changing our future... promising a better, brighter future for Canadians—man and boy alike!

This advertisement is appearing throughout Canada in daily and weekly newspapers

Bringing you oil is a big job... and a costly one

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Women's & Misses' Slips

A bargain for everyday wear or for the school girl. A nice quality rayon slip with a tailored finish. Strap top. Tea rose shade. Sizes 32 to 38. At **1.49**

Women's Pyjamas

Smart new rayon pyjamas. Cello knit. Uppers have deep collar, short sleeves, in sky blue. Pants are black, full cut, flare bottoms. Sizes small, medium and large. Priced at **3.95**

Women's Sockeers

Wear well sockeers. Heavy rayon plaited on lisle. Full 4 ply heel and toe. No seam finish foot. Full elastic cuff that never slacks. White, red, royal, canary. Sizes 8½ to 10. Priced at **45c**

Women's Panties

Stanfield's nova silk briefs. Come in non-run and satin stripe cellosuede. Proper cut and fit for comfort and long wear. Priced at **79c**



Cushions

Buy them for gifts for your friends overseas or for your own home—"Irma" souvenir cushions. All shades and several good patterns. Satin top, fringe edge. Priced at **1.89**

Easter Nylons

45 gauge nylon hose in all the spring shades. Plain or dark contour seams. Orient and Supersilk. Priced at **1.60**

51 gauge
1.85 to 2.25



Nylon Substandard Special

Substandards from one of the best houses. No visible leg flaws. Wear and appearance unimpaired. New spring shades. A limited number of dozens only. Sizes 9 to 10½. **98c** While they last. SPECIAL **1.95** 2 pair at

Nylon Pullovers

Monarch 100% nylon. Short sleeve pullovers. Nothing better to wear with your skirt or slacks. Smart, no shrink, easy to launder. Shades of Swiss sky, maize, pink and white. Sizes 14 to 20. Priced at **3.95**

Springtime Yard Goods

MARQUISSETTE

Dainty curtains for your rooms at a minimum price. Nice Marquisette with chenille dot. Rose, cream, blue, turquoise. Full 42 inches wide. Per yard **49c**

WABASSO POPLIN

Fine quality printed poplin. High mercerized card finish. Gay summer colors in blues, reds, greens, maroons, etc. Long service and smart appearance. Per yard **69c** and **75c**

PRINTED LAWN

This is a popular long wearing cotton in shades of rose, white and maize with bright floral designs, also plaid. 31 inches wide. Per yard **59c**

KRINKLE CREPE

Fine soft lawn in a variety of pastel shades. Small patterns. Full 40 inches wide. Nothing nicer for summer night wear, blouse, children's dresses, etc. Per yard **59c**

CORDUROY

New English corduroys. Popular medium wale, 36 inches wide. Smart. In the mode. Long wearing. Buy them for kiddies' wear, women's slacks, jumper dresses, house coats. Shades of scarlet, royal, paddy. Yd. **1.49**

Penman's SPRING UNDERWEAR



251 MADE—Natural shade from high grade Balbriggan yarns. Full cut. Good clean, flat finish. No irritating seams to cut or break. Short sleeve, ankle length. Combinations **2.39**

No. 71 MERINO—Favorably known for half a century. Pink shade, flat knit. Combined cotton with small amount of wool. Sturdy for wear. Warm for the cool spring days. Long sleeves, long legs. Shirts, drawers **2.39** Combinations **3.59**

NO. 1000 PENMAN'S WORK SOX Natural shade work sock. Pink tone with white toe and heel. Part wool with cotton base. A thoroughly reliable sock. Priced at **59c**

MEN'S WORSTED HEATHER Mixed wool with cotton reinforcement. A good day by day sock. Priced at **75c**

MEN'S ALL WOOL SOX Made by Ballentyne. Fine all wool yarns. Black in color. Moderate weight.

2 Practical Spring Work Shoes

Last Season's 2 Most Popular Sellers

MEN'S BROWN WORK BOOTS

Made from sturdy re tan kip leather, full oil tan. Leather bellows tongue keeps out dust and moisture. Full leather insole. Thick crepe rubber sole and heel. Light, easy, pliable, long wearing. Sizes and half sizes for better fit. Priced at **6.95**



LECKIES' 9 INCH BOOT

Sturdy oil tan leather. Full leather insole. Deep wide heel. Deep cut instep and vamp for extra room. Full steel arch. Double sole. This extra height keeps out the dirt and supports the arch and ankle. **13.45** Sizes 5½ to 11. At

BOYS' PANTS

They will need new pants the first warm spring days. A good range of two popular numbers now in stock. Super service in every pair.

KIDDIES' KIKS

As soon as they shed that winter footwear there is nothing better in comfort and value than Kiddies' Kiks made from good brown side stock. Leather insoles, good crepe outsole. Come in moccasin vamp and 2 strap. Children's and misses', sizes 5½ to 10½ **2.95** Sizes 11 to 2½ **3.49** Sizes 11 to 13 **3.95** Boys' moccasin vamp. Sizes 1 to 5½ **4.95**

COWBOY KINGS

Sturdy jeans for the school, work or play. Sizes 6 to 10 **2.65** Sizes 11 to 16 **3.10**

IRON MAN PANTS

No better school pant made. Sturdy, strong and well made. Good looking. Brown and Grey. **3.55** **3.75** **4.35**

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Locals

Mr. Jas. Wood who is 90 years old celebrated his birthday on March 30. Mr. Wood is in comparatively good health and really enjoys life. He had many visitors on his birthday and among his gifts was a black thorn walking stick which came all the way from Ireland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ole Nisson and family were week-end visitors at McLaughlin, Alta.

Mr. Emil Wirth returned to Irma on Thursday last after spending the winter in the U.S. Mr. Wirth is looking fine and reports a good holiday.

We are sorry to hear that Mr. John Welson is a patient in the Wainwright hospital. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Mrs. H. McKay is back at Irma once more and seems to have benefited by medical treatment received while in the city.

The regular meeting of the Irma Ladies Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. Symington. Devotionals, Mrs. Hager. Topic, Mrs. Bolger. Hostesses, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Rohrer.

Further donations to the Protestant Home for Children in memory of the late Mrs. H. Masson: Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Smallwood and Alex; Mr. and Mrs. H. Riley.

Mrs. M. McLaughlin is visiting with her mother in the city this week.

Mrs. W. J. Matthews left Irma on Tuesday last to visit with relatives at Calgary.

Mr. Joe Gulbraa who took in the recent stock show in Edmonton continued his journey a bit further and called on Mr. Geo. Mannes. He found George in good health and resting up a bit after plenty of coal shovelling during the cold months. George said that the people of Irma and district had been very good to him and sent back his best regards to all here.

Want Ads

FOR SALE—1929 Model D John Deere in good mechanical condition, on rubber—have steel for tractor.—C. E. Fenton, phone 205. 31-7p

FOR SALE—Model A John Deere tractor, new rubber, good mechanical condition.—Carl Anquist. 31p

FOR SALE—20-run IHC Shor Drill, power lift and tractor hitch, also 6 ft. Cockshutt 33 tiller with seeding attachment. Carl Anquist. 31-7p

FOR SALE—200 bushels seed oats, Vanguard 3rd generation. \$1.25 a bushel.—C. E. Fenton. 7p

BABY TURKEYS—hatching twice weekly, some in brooders, all from Government Approved, banded stock. Broad Breasted Bronze, 100—\$90; 50—\$46.00; 25—\$23.50; 10—\$9.50 started 1 week add 10c, two weeks add 20c each. Why not start a few with your chicks this year, separate them at 5 weeks. Write or telephone today, J. J. Fambly Hatcheries, Edmonton, Alberta. 7-28c

FOR SALE—Weaner pigs. 7 and 8 weeks old.—Mike Marko. 7p

Kiefer's Shows

Friday, April 7 Family "Black Gold" Anthony Quinn and Elsie Knox.

Friday, April 14 (Family) "How Green Is My Valley" Starring: Walter Pidgeon, Maureen O'Hara, Donald Crisp

New School . . .

(Continued from Front Page)

Dr. W. H. Swift deputy minister of education, gave the final address. Before delivering his message, Dr. Swift called Eric Dallow of Alma Mater school to come forward. Young Eric had qualified to receive the Governor General's medal for the highest grade nine standing in the Wainwright-Holden division. When this medal had been presented, Dr. Swift then continued with his address. First, he reminded us all that even the finest building was but a meeting place; it was the pupils and teachers who really composed "the school." He stressed the fact that we had as fine and modern a building as one could find anywhere. It was his firm belief that the children would respect this building and have more respect for themselves because of it. Dr. Swift also said that such a school and such equipment for themselves have a greater regard for the teaching profession. Dr. Swift thought that we should regard our school not only as a stepping stone to university but as a gateway to the school of technology and arts, a place of preparation for agricultural college or for apprenticeship in skilled labor.

After remarking on the splendid community spirit of our district Dr. Swift then cut the wide red, white and blue ribbon stretched across the north door of the school auditorium and declared the Irma and District School officially open.

A tour of the new school was then very orderly and efficiently conducted by the pupils themselves. The large airy classrooms with colorful tiled floors and fluorescent lights. The wash rooms with hot and cold running water were duly admired. The lockers, the big windows, the chemistry room, the sales room and many other fine features were proudly displayed. The tour was brought to a happy conclusion at the lunch room where a number of Irma's most efficient organizers arranged and served to all comers a delicious Buffet lunch. So ended one of the happiest and most instructive evenings in the annals of Irma.

The ladies who arranged and served the fine lunch would like to thank all those who loaned cups, those who donated the ample supply of baking, also fresh cream and those who helped in any way, and a special thank you to the menfolk who so kindly helped out.

NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL, 1950 VILLAGE OF IRMA

Notice is hereby given that the assessment of the previous year has been adopted under the provisions of The Assessment Act, and that the assessment roll of the said municipality has been duly prepared, and that if any person thinks that any property has been wrongfully assessed, or assessed too high, or too low, or that his name or the name of any other person has been wrongfully entered upon or omitted from the roll, he may at any time prior to the 30th day of April, notify the secretary-treasurer in writing of the particulars and grounds of his complaint.

Dated at Irma, this 1st day of April, 1950.

A. C. Charter, Sec.-Treas.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

A Ban has been placed on all roads in the Municipal District of Wainwright No. 61 for Truck, Tractor and Trailer traffic as and from 7:00 a.m. Wednesday, the 29th day of March, 1950, and will remain in effect until further advised.

Please govern yourselves accordingly.

CHAS. WILBRAHAM, Secretary-Treasurer.